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1. The 8th Volkspolizei (Vr) Bereitschaft was billeted in the Luftwaffen Kaserne in frankenberg (N 51/K 77).
2. The unit strength was about 1,000 police, including 80 to 100 officers.
3. The unit was organized into a headquarters, three Kommandos, and 1 Sonderkommando, totaling about 60 police.
4. The unit was equipped with an unknown number of mortars, assault rifles, carbines(model 98K), submachine guns, pistols (model 08), four machine guns(model 08/15 and eight machine guns(model 34).
5. The unit had two trucks and four or five passenger cars.
6. The unit conducted infantry training with offensive combat practice at Kommando level, groups of 250 men. The Sonderkommando was trained with mortars.
7. It was rumored that the Bereitschaft had been previously stationed in Chemnitz (N 51/K 66).

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